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DETAILED ACTION

The reply brief filed 28 April 2010 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

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